LAKE ST CLAIR HISTORY

Lake St Clair was constructed as part of Glennies Creek Dam in 1983 and named after the homestead that was lost beneath the water upon its completion.

The lake is approximately 16 kilometres long and holds 283 gigalitres of water – almost half that of Sydney Harbour. At full capacity, the lake covers an area of 1540 hectares, equivalent to two thousand football fields.

The Wonnarua / Wanaruah people are the traditional owners and prior to European settlement, their campgrounds would have been found throughout the locality.

Becoming known as the St Clair district in the late 1830's on the arrival of European settlers, agriculture became the main industry. There was a large emphasis on cattle production for the St Clair homestead, which continued until the completion of the lake.

Lake St Clair was built primarily to provide water for agriculture, domestic use, coal mining and electrical generation. However, it has also developed into a popular outdoor leisure facility.

Glennies Creek Dam supplies water for domestic use in Singleton as well as irrigation for farms and vineyards. Water is also drawn from the dam for use in coal mining throughout the area.

NEED TO KNOW



Dogs are allowed in Lake St Clair recreation park providing they remain on a **lead at all times**.



Bookings are essential, please contact the Lake St Clair caretaker on: T 02 5522 4010



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Gake Stair

Nestled in the foothills of Mt Royal National Park, picturesque Lake St Clair is approximately 30 minutes north east of Singleton.

During the warmer months, the lake is lined with boats stacked side-by-side vying for their slice of the waterfront. From dawn till dusk, skiers zig zag their way across the lake, dodging fishermen trying their luck for the catch of the day. Swimming, sailing, water skiing, camping and fishing are only a few of the popular activities enjoyed on the lake.

For keen fishermen, Lake St Clair has been stocked with Bass, Golden and Sliver Perch. Restocking of the lake by NSW State Fisheries and local fishing clubs is ongoing. Dust off the rod and shoot the breeze with friends with plenty of great spots to wet a line and bring home a catch.

The foreshores of Lake St Clair provide picturesque locations for a picnic or barbeque and a drive along the eastern shoreline provides a great vantage point to enjoy the beautiful scenery.

Lake St Clair is a great place to reconnect with nature and switch off from the hustle and bustle. Australian wildlife like kangaroos and echidnas frequent the site, and birdlife is abundant, including Wedge Tail Eagles, parrots, finches and an abundance of water birds. The lake and surrounding hills also make the perfect backdrop for photographs.

LAKE FACILITIES



12 powered camp sites



38 hectares



Concrete boat ramp



Electric + wood fired BBQ



Toilet + shower blocks



Camp kitchen

GETTING THERE

From the Singleton Visitor Information Centre, travel north on the New England Highway, crossing the Hunter River. Approx. 0.5 kilometres from the bridge, turn right into Bridgman Road. Follow Bridgman Road, becoming Carrowbrook Road, for 35 kilometres where you will arrive at Lake St Clair.

For Glennies Creek Dam wall - turn left after 27 kilometres on Bridgman/Carrowbrook Roads.

THINGS:

(Camping

Sailing

Boating

Picnicking

Fishing

Birdwatching

Skiing

Swimm

Walking

Swimming

Photography

